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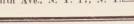
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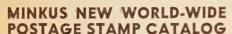
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Review of Some of he World's Interesting tamps for the Year 1960

HE YEAR 1960 brought us a host of interesting stamps, so numerous we would not atmpt to select one outstanding amp from the multitude of meangful issues. Perhaps, however, we ight select the entire group of orld Refugee Year stamps issued om 70 to 80 countries as having e greatest significance. They make complete collection of themselves, nd one of no small proportions; nd they have a special appeal, presenting as they do an outpourg of human compassion from nearall parts of the globe. These amps will stand as a memorial to ne people of our time, to the fact nat the finer qualities of human ature were not lost to us despite ne bitter unrest of our era. Historias of the future are little likely to nearth much evidence of this spirit at of the welter of incidents which ave kept the world on the edge of ar for the fifteen years since the losing of the last one. It is particuarly good, therefore, that the philaelic record will give these historims something to indicate that in he midst of all this tragic misunerstanding and distrust, nations vere still able to respond gladly and enerously and in large numbers to he need for aid to the world's refu-

There were other examples of unity of action in postal issues, but one other of such noble purpose as the W.R.Y. collection. Among these the most frequent examples come from the "iron curtain" countries, who, while not participating in the Refugee program, are ever ready and anxious to publicize to the world through stamps their "unity of purpose". Thus we find that "Women's International Day", one of the communist's perennial means of apturing a following from a segment of the world's population groups, was as usual commemorated

by stamps from most of the satellite countries as well as Russia itself. Another annual issue which practically all, if not all, of these countries invariably have is in commemoration of Lenin's birthday, in 1960 the 90th.

In some instances the same event is honored by countries on both sides of the iron curtain, the communist countries joining in when an opportunity for propaganda is inherent in the event. Thus, International Letter Writing Week is promoted in stamps from both Russia and some of her satellites as well in 1960 from such free countries as Japan and Korea.

On a much larger scale we have the Olympic Games of 1960 marked with stamps from at least thirty-eight countries, communist as well as the free nations, most of them for the Rome games, and only about eight being for the Winter Olympics in the U.S.A. But Czechoslovakia and Hungary as well as Russia issued stamps for the U.S. Olympics, the others being our own U.S. issue, Togo, Haiti, Monaco, and the Sudan. The Rome Games were commemorated by South Korea, Li-

beria, Cuba, Turkey, Tunisia, Dominican Republic, Somalia, Mongolia, the Sudan, Maldive Islands, Italy, Turkey, Ghana, Monaco, Jugoslavia, Philippines, Poland, San Marino, Malagasy Republic, West Germany, Russia, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Panama, Hungary, Romania, France, Haiti, and no doubt others which we may have missed in our hasty check-up.

Seato brought stamps from the Philippines, Thailand, and the U.S.A.; the Conference of Europe had a very special honor in that it was commemorated by Great Britain, whose conservatism in commemorative issues is well known. The World Forestry Congress was marked with stamps from Formosa and the Sudan as well as the U.N. and the U.S.A.

In all of these issues we are mentioning some of the countries, picked at random more or less, not attempting to do a comprehensive listing. The Arab League was honored philatelically by the United Arab Republic and Saudi Arabia, the latter also issuing stamps for the Arab Postal Union Conference. Mental Health Year brought stamps



From the Portuguese Ministry of Posts a first day cover showing stamps issued for 50th anniversary of present regime in Portugal.

from Mexico and the Netherlands. And of course, the Soviet space feats brought stamps from the satellite countries as well as Russia itself.

Many events less widely celebrated nevertheless had great international consequence. Among these were President Eisenhower's visits abroad, which brought stamps from Uruguay, Brazil, South Korea, Formosa, and the Philippines. An issue of Bulgaria in late 1959, but which was not reported here until 1960, commemorated the meeting between President Eisenhower and Russia's Khrushchev. Togo prepared a stamp for the Summit Meeting and decided to issue it in spite of the dismal failure, or more correctly, the cancellation of that event.

Some of the foregoing which might be included in an Americana collection can be supplemented with several others issued by various countries during 1960. Among these are West Germany's stamp honoring General of the Army George Marshall, Colombia's set for the 150th anniversary of Lincoln's birth, as well as Lincoln issues from Argen-

tina and Nicaragua, Romania' stamp for Mark Twain, and Poland's stamp for Albert Einstein, a naturalized American. Also qualifying for this category is Japan's issue for the Japanese-American Treaty, as well as our own country's stamp for that event. Other examples of Americana can no doubt be found in a complete review of the world's issues of 1960.

Among religious issues of exceptional appeal were Ireland's World Refugee stamp depicting the flight of the Holy Family, Australia's issue to point up the spiritual significance of Christmas, Spain's Nativity stamp, Korea's Christmas issue, Malta's centenary of the shipwreck of St. Paul, Colombia's Nativity stamps, Vatican City's set for the transportation to Venice of the body of Pope Pius X, as well as the first definitive set under the pontificate of Pope John XXIII. Israel's issue for the High Holy Days also deserves special mention.

Romance had its place in the 1960 philatelic picture with the issues commemorating the wedding of the King of Iran to Farah Diba, and the marriage of Belgium's King Baudouin and Dona Fabiola de Mora. Both countries produced attractive portrait stamps of the bride and groom. Denmark commemorated the silver wedding of her King and Queen with special stamps.

Independence and Freedom, so prominent in world affairs today, were emphasized in issues from many countries. Among them were Ghana's African Freedom Day, Chad Republic's issue for the first anniversary of independence, Samalia's stamps marking her full independence, Suriname's Freedom Day, Nigeria and British Southern Cameroons independence issues, the Cyprus Constitution set, Ghana's and Israel's anniversary issues.

Among the interesting space issues were Russia's stamp honoring "Belka" and "Strelka", carried on the flight of the second Soviet sputnik. The United States issued its first space stamp with the one in honor of the Echo I satellite.

An unusual issue came from Turkey in the form of a set of three values to mark the trials of members of their government who have fallen from power. This is the first time such an occasion has been commemorated in stamps by any country, to the best of our memory.

Another unusual issue was the four-value set from Pakistan issued to publicize the undetermined status of Jammu, Kashmir, Junagadh, and Manavadar, as a result of the border dispute with India.

Among the interesting issues honoring people was the Gabon Republic's stamp for Dr. Albert Schweitzer. The Philippines honored the memory of Jose Abad Santos, who was executed on May 2, 1942, for refusing to collaborate with the enemy.

The visit of the Crown Prince of Japan to the United States was commemorated in an issue from Japan. Iran marked the visit of King Hussein of Jordan with stamps; and several other intercountry visits were publicized in stamps. Togo marked her admission to the United Nations philatelically. and Russia issued a souvenir sheet for the 15th Session of the U. N. General Assembly in New York. This showed a statue presented by Russia to the United Nations with a quotation from Khrushchev but based on a Biblical quotation: "We shall beat our swords into plowshares.'

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with Mexico, in honor of the latter's independence anniversary. Another first in U. S. philately was the introduction of the American Credo estamps. Among the many U. S. issues during 1960 besides those already mentioned, perhaps the most interesting were our World Refugee Year stamp, the Pony Express commemoratives and the Champion of Liberty stamps; and historically, the stamp marking Hawaii's admission to the Union.

The United Nations issued stamps showing the Palais de Chaillot, an issue honoring E C A F E, and stamps for the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The issue which had the greatest philatelic repercussions, however, was the 15th anniversary souvenir sheet.

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The Fieandt Memorial Medal Awarded to Carl E. Pelander

N December 15th, 1960, the annual award of the much coveted Fieandt memorial medal was presented to Carl E. Pelander, of New York, N. Y. by the Finnish Philatelic Society for original research and promotion of Finnish Philately.

Dr. Einar Fieandt (1879-1936) for many years was an active member of the Finnish Philatelic Society, having done much to further philately in general, especially the stamps of Finland and its Associate Group, during the Finnish Occupation of Olonetz in 1919. Due to the thoroughness of his work and the great part he played in the promotion of the hobby, the Finnish Phlatelic Society struck a medal in his honor, which is now awarded annually to the most deserving student of Finnish Philately.

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Rossica Society Journal

THE Journal of the Rossica Society of Russian Philately No. 59, released at the time of the A.S.D.A. exhibition in November, carries an article by R. Sklarevski on the Stamped Envelopes of Imperial Russia which will be very helpful to collectors in that field. It sketches the early background and mentions where the first articles on the subject appeared. Also included is mention of important collections built in our time, notably that of Agathon Faberge. It describes the paper, watermark, embossing, etc. A future article will list varieties, followed by the original listing of F. Breitfuss.

A new checklist of the Arms Type issues of 1909-23, by Dr. C. de Stackelburg, is continued from No. 58, and will be carried on in later issues, as it is very comprehensive. Another article whch is to be continued is Dr. G. B. Salisbury's Romanov Currency Stamps of 1915-16-17. And, continued from No. 58 is Postal Issues and Overprints of South Russia 1918-20 by A. M. Rosselevitch.

There is a list of the Railway Routes 1912-13, with distances, compiled from Russian timetables by W. E. C. Kethro and John Barry.

Varieties of Watermarks on Stamps of Russia by E. Hansen, translated from the Rossica Journal No. 5, which was in the Russian language, is another feature of the issue; as well as First Usage of Precancellation in Russia, by R. Sklarevski, and Chalk Network on Stamps of Russia by A. M. Rosselevitch.

This is but a partial review of the contents of the issue. The Journal is sent to all members of the Society as part of their membership privileges. To join the Society, apply for membership to Dr. G. B. Salisbury, Chatham Court Apts., 49th and Locust Sts., Philadelphia 39, Pennsylvania. Dues are \$3.00 a year.

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Our thanks to Kurt John Weiss and Oswald Erdmenger for first flight covers by Pan American Airways from Guatemala to Los Angeles and Guatemala to Houston, December 12, 1960. Also, to the Club Filatelico Juvenil de Mexico for similar first flight cover, December 12, from Mexico to Houston.

The Caterpillar Stamp Club of Peoria, Illinois, staged its fifth annual show on November 13 at the Jefferson Hotel. Bernt von Glasenapp won the grand award for his "Study of the first ten stamps of Denmark" which showed the various colors of each printing, watermarks, proofs, cancellations, forgeries and private perforations. First awards went to B. von Glasenapp for "German Build-

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ings Issue study," Vesta Warnock for an exhibit of "World Refugee Stamps," and Dr. Emil Mosny for an exhibit of the "Allied Military Government's authorized stamps for use in the Free Territory of Trieste." Second awards to Mary Parlier for "Queen Elizabeth II on stamps"; William Lyle Brown, "Covers canceled on Submarines"; and Cecil Loberg for "Stamps Honoring the Rotary International." Third awards went to Dr. Mosny, "British Colonial Stamps"; David Duniway, "Brussels World's Fair"; and von Glasenapp for "Berlin Airlift Tax Stamps." Judging was by members of the Peoria Philatelic Society, Dr. C. D. Sneller, presiding, assisted by Donald Bayler and Phillip Ksycki.

Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh, Pa., held its 1960 Stamp Exhibition and Bourse at the Penn-Sheraton Hotel on November 5th and 6th. A.P.S. medals were awarded to Robert H. Cunliffe, "U. S. First Issue Revenues—Imperforate," Robert H. Miller, "New York Foreign Mail Cancels," and William H. Wallace, "Belgium Second Issue Medallions." Meetings of the Society are held in Penn-Sheraton Hotel, Club floor, 8:15 P.M., first and third Mondays of each month. 1961 Exhibition will be held Nov. 4-5, 1961 at Penn-Sheraton. For bourse table information, contact, M. G. Hanna, 335 5th Ave., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

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They have set forth their objectives for the journal as: (1) to stimulate interest in the collecting of Costa Rica; (2) to disseminate information concerning its philately; (3) to alert collectors on existing counterfeits and phantasies.

The November issue gives a tremendous amount of statistical information for various issues from 1863 through 1911 in tabular form, including Scott number, numbers printed, etc. Details also on counterfeits of the 13c-40c telegraph stamps accompanied by illustrations of six covers showing genuine postal use. There are numerous other articles of equally important value to the Costa Rican specialist.

Details of membership in the Society may be had by writing Arthur L. Hebel, 1130 Simmons Lane, Novato, California.

Dr. H. B. Bolt

DR. H. B. BOLT, 1501 Cambridge Street, Corpus Christie, Texas, died on November 29, 1960. Dr. Bolt was one of the oldest collectors in Texas. He formerly lived in Oklahoma and was a collector for over 50 years. He was a life member of the San Antonio Philatelic Society and a former vice-president of that group. He was a long-time member of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society and the American Philatelic Society

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SPECIAL CANCELLATIONS

The Post Office Department advises Baltimore, Md., will use a special cancellation Jan. 1-31, 1961 and Sept. 1-30, 1961, reading "Enoch Pratt Library/75 Years of Public Service."

Decorah, Iowa will use 'Luther College Centennial 1861-1961" Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 1961.

The Wentworth Military Academy, Lexington, Missouri, advises the P.O.D. has authorized a special cancellation to be used there to publicize the "re-fighting of the Civil War Battle of Lexington" May 18, 1961. The cancellation will be used on all outgoing first class mail from Lexington from January 1 through June 30, 1961. The re-enactment will be a major event in a national pageant of the five-year Civil War Centennial celebration starting January 1st.

GANDHI STAMP F.D. CANCELLATION

The pictorial portion of the cancellation to be used January 26, 1961, for the 4c and 8c Mahatma Gandhi Champion of Liberty stamps, at Washington, D.C., will feature a Charkha (spinning wheel) and the wording, "From darkness lead to light".

R.P.O. CHANGE

Effective Jan. 7, 1961, the Chicago and Elroy R.P.O. will be changed to Chicago, Beloit and Madison R.P.O.

DELTA AIR LINES INAUGURATING AT FORT LAUDERDALE

On or about January 27, 1961, Delta Air Lines will inaugurate airmail service at Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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Patrons desiring to receive the post office cachet should forward their covers to reach the Postmaster at Fort Lauderdale at least five days prior to flight date.

PATRICK HENRY PLATES

Plates 26738, 26741, 26747, 26752 for the 4c Patrick Henry Credo stamp were sent to press during November. These and the master plate 26686 have been redesignated "Series 1961" instead of the previously referred to "Series 1960", since first day of issue is Jan. 11, 1961.

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Hungarian Stamps and History

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(This is the third and last in a series of articles on this subject.)

N October 1956 the anticommunist revolution broke out, and was victorious even against the Soviet forces then stationed in the country, but was crushed by the vast Soviet reinforcements which appeared so quickly. This revolution, however, was commemorated with an overprint of the regular buildings set. The Revolutionary Committee of the City of Sopron (Western Hungary), which took over the administration, had overprinted the postage stamps found in the post office of the city with the date of the first meeting of revolutionary youth, (October 22, 1956), and with the initial words of the Hungarian national hymn, written by Michael Vorosmarty: "Hazadnak renduletlenul . . . ". The legality of this overprint was recognized later by the postal administration.

The Hungarian stamps offer great variety to topical collectors, with several older and newer issues of very different topics. Religion, sports, animals, flowers, and many other themes are presented. Hungary was the third country to issue regular airpost stamps (Nos. C1-2) in 1918. Three different sets have been issued with design of the Madonna and Child (Nos. 378-387, 415-417, 462-465). (See Fig. 3.).



Fig. 3 (No. 380)

Many others were issued with Hungarian saints, religious leaders of the Catholic and Protestant Churches, famous church buildings, universities, and other religious themes. The sports issues were honored with several international

awards as best designs of the year.

After the communist take-over the government of Hungary soon realized the importance of postage stamps as tools of propaganda, and also their value as a means of getting currency, which the communist government needed and still needs very badly. The unrealistically large number of new issues and high denominations is testimony to this fact.

To raise the domestic and international prices, and their own income, the communist postal administration is using several different practices. The best known tactic is the use of the so-called imperforate issues. The postal use of the imperforate stamps was permitted by government decree only in 1958. The Minister of Transportation and Post admitted in an interview that the so-called imperforates are in fact only essays and proofs, which previously could never be used for prepaying the postal rates. Although at present postal use of these imperforates is permitted, the post offices do not sell them to the public. The government Philatelic Agency sells them at ten times their face value to collectors only, on a one-set-to-a-person basis, and only through the Philatelic Association. The bulk of these is going to the foreign market.

Demonetization is another priceraising practice of the government. Regardless of the few regular issues, all commemoratives, semipostals, and airpost stamps are valid for postal use only for a very short time, most of them for one year. But, for instance, the aluminum foil stamp (No. C167) was valid for only a single day. (This stamp was an experiment, which proved to be unsuccessful because the aluminum foil, if it was exposed to the air, very soon oxidized, and the design disappeared. Therefore, it is highly recommended that these stamps be kept in protective mounts.) The Philatelic Agency, a commercial enterprise owned by the government, which is authorized to sell any demonetized stamp, and which gets the unsold quantities, or sometimes the entire issue, raises the prices immediately after the date of demonetization.

Philatelic life in Hungary is restricted to the official Central Association of Stamp Collectors, and its branch organizations. All stamp clubs of the country must belong to this association; no independent stamp club may be established. Post offices sell commemoratives very seldom, and usually only incomplete sets. One value of each commemorative set is regularly retained for the Philatelic Agency, which has the monopoly of stamp export. Collectors may obtain the new issues in complete sets only through the Association on a subscription basis, and distribution of the new issues never takes place earlier than three weeks after the release, but usually the individual collector receives his stamps only after several months.

International exchange between Hungarian and foreign collectors is hindered in every way, because it is considered detrimental to the government's export business. Only collectors who are members of the Association are permitted to send stamps abroad, and then only through the Association, where the Hungarian National Bank and the customs agency examine all letters and list the official prices of the stamps included. No further consignment may be sent until the exchange material has been received by the Association, where it too is subject to careful examination and evaluation before delivery. Since the prices are determined by the Association and the Philatelic Agency, the prices of Hungarian stamps are deliberately set very high, regardless of the international market, and the prices set for foreign stamps are below the market price. Therefore, exchange for a foreign collector is possible only at a considerable

To by-pass the Association in sending stamps abroad from Hungary is considered a crime against the economic interests of the state and may be punished by imprisonment for up to ten years. The government recently levied a 60 per

cent duty on stamps received by Hungarians which do not come

through the Association.

The Hungarian government and its Philatelic Agency have recently complained about the low prices of Hungarian stamps on the international market. The prices are, in fact, much lower than those of the official price list of the state-owned Philatelic agency. But this is so obviously because the official prices are baseless, determined not by the market, but by the government. Moreover, with very few exceptions, the number of copies issued is not disclosed by the Postal Administration, and in cases where the number is officially disclosed, the official statement is very doubtful.

To support this statement, let me quote two reports from STAMPS. In the November 22, 1958 issue it was reported, referring to the information of the Hungarian Postal Administration, that 700,000 sets and been issued for air post stamps commemorating the 40th anniversary of the first Hungarian air mail stamp. In the December 27, 1958 sue of STAMPS the issuance of two other stamps, commemorating the 40th anniversary of the formation of the Hungarian Communist Party was reported. The number of copies was said to be 400,000.

I am still in correspondence with few friends who live in Hungary, and I asked some of them to use new issues on their mail. I asked some of them especially to send me the air mail commemoratives men-Lioned above, but the answer I got was that these are not available. A few weeks later I received letters from persons who, I am sure, do not even know that I am a collector. These letters carried the Communist Party commemoratives, and I saw a great many letters received by a relief organization in Washington, D. C., with the same stamps. Now, it is obvious that the government's statement that the latter set was issued in 400,000 copies was incorrect, because a set issued only in 400,000 copies cannot be available in every part of the country to anyone across the post office counters, when no copies of the 700,-000 issue are available even for those who ask and search for it in the capital of the country.

International exchange and even correspondence with Hungarian collectors is frequently prevented by the government authorities not only for business protection, but also for political and other reasons. Let me quote from the Newsletter of the "People-to-People Program".

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U. S. Kossuth first day cover that was returned as undeliverable by Hungarian authorities. We have superimposed the "Non admis./Retour" marking which was on the back of the cover over the addressee's name in order to show the marking. The name had been bluepenciled out and an arrow in the same blue pencil indicated it was to be returned to Washington. (Fig. 4.)

". . . Some Committees, however, are finding that it is not always easy to engage in PTP exchanges with satellite countries. The Hungarian "Peoples Government" for example, will have no part of a special mailing of First Day Covers honoring Lajos Kossuth and bearing a U. S. stamp with an engraving of the Hungarian Champion of Liberty. All 50 First Days Covers, addressed to Hungarian philatelists and containing invitations to participate in a friendly exchange of correspondence from the HOBBIES Committee have been returned. All were stamped "Non admis. Retour," alongside the Budapest postmark, implying the present Hungarian Government frowns upon a correspondence between Hungarians and other peoples if the letter carries any symbol of liberty."

The spokesman for the government tried to justify this step, and complained in the Hungarian press that the first day covers were cancelled with a postmark including not only the coat of arms of Hungary used during Kossuth's time, but also the Holy Crown, and the borders of pre-war Hungary. The "cancellation" mentioned, as a matter of fact, was only a rubber stamp used at the bottom of a few covers by the American Hungarian Federation, and not the official first day cancellation, which included only the design of the coat of arms without the Crown, as it was used during the time of Kossuth, and in the years 1945-48. The returned covers did not bear the print of the so-called cancellation to which the government objected. (See Fig. 4.).

What the government's spokesman forgot to mention was that this design of the coat of arms was used not only by Kossuth, but also by the freedom fighters of October 1956, that one of the aims of the revolution was the replacement of the Soviet-type arms with that used by Kossuth, and that the latter design was actually used under the pressure of the Revolution by the present government from October 1956 to May 1957. Obviously, the present government did not want to let the people of the country be reminded of the few days of freedom.

The People-to-People Program, was more fortunate with these covers than were individuals, because the committee, at least, got back the covers, while letters mailed by individuals to Hungary and bearing the Kossuth stamp, were neither delivered nor returned, regardless of whether the cover was stamped with the first day cancellation or any other regular postmark. The government simply confiscated all those letters which were mailed with the Kossuth stamp.

Hungarian collectors, in spite of all the obstacles put up by the government, are trying to maintain their international connections, proving that collecting stamps is a link between them and the free world, through which they may give expression to their strong desire for freedom and independence.



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A Report from Saudi Arabia on World Refugee Stamps

FROM H. D. S. Haverbeck, president of the Collectors Club of New York, we have a translation of an interview held at the headquarters of the Saudi Arabia Directorate General for Tele-graphs, Posts, and Telephones, *Ustadh* Ahmad Zidan, at which time the interviewer was introduced to the United Nations Organization Representative for Refugees in the Middle East, Sayyid Asad Khan Sadri, who is the brother of the late Ali Khan. Asked for the purpose of the stamps of the international refugee year, he stated that the idea was to have the participating countries show the refugees their wish to give assistance in such a manner as to safeguard their in-

He mentioned that eighty countries from among the members of the United Nations participated in the project, including Saudi Arabia, both regions of the United Arab Republic, the Sudanese Republic, Yemen, Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, and Jordan, as well as thirteen regions under foreign domination. Some of these countries, he said, restricted themselves to providing their estimated aid; others rendered their assistance in the form of international stamps; others, financial aid in addition to the stamps.

Asked about the portion of stamps he had received from the PTT, His Excellency replied, "I received 100,000 sets and twelve thousand envelopes containing stamps priced at 2, 8, and 19 common qirsh These stamps will be sold, so that the Palestinian and Algerian refugees may benefit from their proceeds, according to the request of the Saudi Government."

Taking advantage of the presence of the Director General of PTT, the interviewer asked him about the sets of stamps issued by the Directorate for the World Refugee Year, and he said "five hundred thousand collections". He probably meant a total of 500,000 stamps, as according to information supplied to STAMPS by Frank E. Patterson III and Arabian Philately (reported in STAMPS' new issues of Nov. 19, 1960) there were about 160,000 each of the 8P and 10P and 180,-000 of the 2P, which would total 500,000.

The Director General was asked if new issues could be expected, and he advised that a new set would be issued, "to be

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used on postal letters instead of the old stamps, which will be cancelled upon their depletion. This will include stamps bearing the picture of Wadi Hanifah, in Riyadh. The value of the new stamps will be in common qirsh without fractions thereof."

We have also received a letter from Frank E. Patterson, III, reporting that the Mecca Daily Al Bilad, which is the newspaper whose reporter made the interview, had a notice of the meeting in its November 23, 1960 issue. The item added that the Director General, in the name of the Saudi Arab Government, turned over to the U. N. Representative 100,000 sets of the refugee year stamps to be sold and the proceeds used for the benefit of Palestinian and Algerian refugees. Mr. Patterson adds, "On the basis of previous information, this is nearly 60 percent of the total issue."

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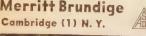
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As neither the children nor many of the hospital staff know much about stamp collecting, it will be helpful indeed if philatelists in the various areas where the hospitals are located will arrange to visit the children periodically and give them instructions on how to go about it. Help is especially needed in the early stages.

The Committee is also calling on local stamp clubs and individual collectors to send stamps, accessories, books for distributon to the hospitals. Even the common 3c and 4c stamps will be welcome, as they can be used to teach the children how to use them in making calendars, histories, geographies, etc.; they are also useful in teaching them about perfins, reconstructed booklet panes, coil centerline pairs, and similar philatelic details. The visits of local philatelists, as mentioned above, will be very helpful in giving the children good basic knowledge of collecting, as they work with the stamps.

The clubs will have no funds for purchases nor for postage, so please be sure that your packages are correctly and

fully prepaid.

The Committee plans to have a newsletter where acknowledgment of gifts and other news of the project will be published. Regular supporters of the work may receive copies of the newsletter free. Letters may be addressed to the Secretary General, National Masonic Committee, P.O. Box 406, Washington 4, D. C.

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Sweden-If you collect nineteenth century Sweden, give careful consideration to Scott's #37, which catalogs USED at \$25.00; but make sure that it is the perf. 13 copy. This stamp is unlikely to be found at half-Scott; its catalog valuation is LOW as compared with the Scandinavian levels.

BRITISH COLONIALS—Every now and then one reads in foreign stamp magazines that one of the last parcels of the Peace and Victory, Royal Visit, or some other issue is being put up for auction. For many years these announcements

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came as what seemed to be a final warning, but always one more popped up, and the already saturated market was swamped once more with huge holdings of speculators.

The Peace and Victory issue of Antigua, Scott 50-51, type 8 for all the colonies and dominions is depreciating from year to year, and it looks as though another dip will occur each time a wholesale auction takes place. It probably will take another ten to fifteen years before all important speculative holdings find their way into collections. At wholesale this issue sells now at less than face value, and is offered in trade papers at a new retail low of \$5.00 to \$5.50 for all 166 values. There is only one question left: How much chance would you be taking to get it at this new LOW?

PORTUGAL-Scott 747-8, issued to commemorate the third anniversary of the signing of the North Atlantic Treaty; and Scott 749-750 should be bought now while Scott's evaluation remains the same. Both sets retail in Europe for more than full-Scott. Both sets should be considered a special tipoff for this week; get them while you can at the prsent price. The stamps of Portugal and Colonies have become very popular since 1945, and fortunately this field has not so far been invaded by the "strike it rich" speculators, so these stamps when they go up in price do so gradually and naturally, a very healthy sign.

SPECIAL OFFERS-Under this heading European dealers offer in stamp magazines the following issues, which should

TIP OFF -

UNITED STATES-With the exception of the White Plains Sheet, Scott #630, all the souvenir sheets, such as No. 730-731, the 1c and 3c Chicago; #735, the 3c Byrd; #750, the 3c Parks; and #751, the ic Parks, should be bought now. Lately they have been very much in demand and many beginners are steadily drawing on the meagre stocks that exist.

Another commemorative which should not be overlooked is No. 612, the Rotary Press 2c Harding, perf. only with good centering. This stamp in superb centering is very difficult to find and is worth every bit of \$2.00 a copy. This stamp is this week's TIPOFF.

be given some consideration, because these are prices "to come" while the USA market is much lower. France Scott 679 net 4.50, used 3.50, GREECE 539/544 net 11.00, 568/573 net 4.00, C71/73 net 7.50, ITALY 515/517 net 11.00, 533/534 net 8.00, 544/6 net 13.00, 637/8 3.50, Luxembourg 272/277 net 30.00, 306/9 net 5.00, 315/7 PORTUGAL 747/8 net 7.50, TRIESTE 42/44 net 15.00, 272/273 net 5.00, 85/7 net 7.50, 184/185 net 3.50, Luxembouro 318/320 net 15.00, B65A/Q net 65.00, 329/331 net 3.50, Germany 634/661 perf 11 net 35.00, 670/685 net 45.00, BERLIN 9N21/34 net 58.00, 9N35/41 net 40.00, 9N42/60 net 21.00 9N/61/63 net 20.00, 9N64/67 net 5.00, 9NB3a net 40.00 9Nb1/3 net 15.00 and RN156 Scott cat. val. 45c the quotation is Tagespreis which means price on request. Compare these net offers with the ones right here in STAMPS and you will notice that our market prices are far below the European.

MONACO: Scott B36/50 the 1940 Red Cross issue was selling for only 4.50 just a short while ago. The few hundred sets which were available were a real headache to one of our wholesalers but he finally found a market in Europe; America could not absorb the few hundred sets. This very same issue which he sold in France is selling there now for \$11.50 against a Scott valuation of \$15.25. In case you don't have this one in your Monaco collection, get it now while still occasionally available at the usual HALF, which is the present buying price in France. Other issues which had to be sold back to the other side of the Ocean are B19/23, B26/35, and B61/75, all sets that if bought at Half are outright bargains today.

Alexander Rockman

DEATH came suddenly on December 12, 1960, to Albert Rockman, 65, of La Jolla, Calif. He was a retired maintenance engineer of the Universal Cement Co., and was well known to stamp collectors in Southern Calif. He was a member of the Masonic order, and past treasurer and secretary of the La Jolla Stamp Club. Burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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TWA to BOMBAY (11-22-60). Eastern Airlines to WEST PALM BEACH (12-1-60) Eastern Airlines to MEXICO CITY (12-4-60). Irish Airlines to DUBLIN (12-14-60). Irish Airlines to SHANNON (12-14-60).	.85 .75 .75 .75 .75
Letter sent to Amsterdam (Netherlands) from UN, returned to New York by KLM Airlines first Jet Flight (4-16-60), stamped with special flight canc., backstamped at New York.	4.75
10th Austrian Balloon flight oard. UN Postage. 17th Austrian Balloon flight oard. UN Postage. 18th Austrian Balloon flight oard. UN Postage. 19th Austrian Balloon flight oard. UN Postage. 20th Austrian Balloon flight oard. UN Postage. Lufthansa SENATOR Special LUPOSTA flight to FRANKFURT M ~21-50 UN Postage. Lufthansa UN 14th Anne. Special Flight to STUTTGART (10-24-59), UN Postage.	4 05

IMPORTANT HISTORICAL **EVENTS AT UNITED NATIONS**

(All covers with special cachet and UN stamps) President-elect John F. KENNEDY meets with UN Secretary General 12-7-60

SECURITY Council Special Session to consider situation in CONGO, the Soviet Union demands UN backing for LUMUMBA (12-7-60).

King FREDERIK IX of DENMARK addresses 15th resident EISENHOWER addressed the 15th Session of the General Assembly (10-17-60)...

President EISENHOWER addressed the 15th Session of the General Assembly (9-22-60)...

OPENING of the 15th Session of the General Assembly—fourteen new Member States Admitted .75 (9-20-60)

EMERGENCY Special Session of the General Assembly on the CONGO Situation (9-19-60).

SECURITY Council special session to discuss Soviet charges against the U.S.A. for the RB-47 flight SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss the situation in CONGO (7-13-60).

SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss the U.O. (1-14-60). Pres. Adolfo Lopez MATEOS of MEXICO visits UN (10-14-59).

The General Assembly's Steering Committee recommended a full debate on charges of Communist Chinese suppression of Human Rights in TIBET (10-9-59). Secretary of State Christian A. HERTER addresses General Assembly (for the first time) (9-17-59)...
SECURITY Council Emergency Session considered complaint of LAOS against North Vietnam, cacheted cover cancelled with USA General P. O. meter can Co. 7-50

ADMISSIONS

Security Council Favors the Admission of the fol-	
lowing new Countries to the UN (all on each, covers) CAMEROONS (1-26-60)	
	.75
	.95
(Senegal and French Sudan made up the Mali Federation until recently, when Senegal seconded.	
The Security Council had approved menharchin	
for the Federation)	
MALGASY (6-29-60)	.75
OOMALIA (7-3-0())	.75
CONGO (7-7-60). Group of 8 countries: DAHOMEY, NIGER, UPPER	.75
VOLTA, IVORY COAST, CHAD, CONGO RE-	
PUBLIC, GABON, CENTRAL AFRICAN RE-	
PUBLIC (8-23-60). CYPRUS (8-24-60). MALL and SENEGAL (0.99-90)	.75
	.75
141GERIA (10-7-00)	.75
Secondary Council met in a Saturday night session	
specifically to recommend the admission of MAURITANIA to the UN. The Soviet Union's	
negative vote signified a VETO (12-3-60), each.	
cover with USA General P. O. meter cancellation	.75

UN CACHETED FDCs (Artcraft)

	(Cpl. set on cover)
41-42	I. T. U., machine canc
43-44	cover 1.5 W.H.O., mach, canc. 7. Same, hand canc. 7. Same, 2 cpl sets on CERTIFIED MAIL cov. 1.5
45-46	U. N. DAY (GenAssem.), machine canc 5
47-48	Same, hand canc
49-50	Same, hand canc
51-52	UNEF, machine canc
55-56	Same, hand canc. 3. U N DAY (Sec. Council), machine canc. 3. Same, hand canc. 3. Same, cancelled with bull's eye FD canc.
57-58	used first time. 2.9 HUMAN RIGHTS 1957, machine canc. 3.
59-60	Same, hand canc
61-62	Same, hand canc .3 Central Hall, machine canc .3 Same, hand canc .3

63	4c reg. issue, machine canc	. 25
	Same, hand canc .	.25
64	Se reg. issue, mach. canc	.30
	Same hand cane	.30
	Same, hand cane. Same, block of four with printer's name on	.00
	margin—FDC, one of the best UN FDCs	
	(the inscription on margin was not known	
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	until the last moment), very small amount	0 80
05 00	such FDCs are made	3.50
65-66	ECONOMIC COUNCIL, mach canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
67-68	HUMAN RIGHTS 1958, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
69-70	FLUSHING, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
71-72	ECE, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
73-74	TRUSTEESHIP Council, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
75-76	WORLD REFUGEE YEAR, mach. canc	.35
	Same hand cane	.35
77-78	Same, hand canc. PALAIS DE CHAILLOT, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	.35
79-80	ECAFE, machine canc.	.35
19-00	Come hand come	.35
81-82	Same, hand canc	.35
	FORESTRY CONGRESS, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc	
83-84	15th Anniversary, machine canc	.35
	Same, hand canc.	.35
85	SOUVENIR Sheet (on UN European Office	1 00
	cach. env.)	1.60
86-87	International BANK, machine cane	. 35
	Same, hand canc	. 35
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1952	13-14	Human Rights	.75	3.40	5.00
1953	15-16	Refugees	.95	3.90	5.95
1953	17-18	U. P. U.	.95	3.90	5.95
1953	19-20	Technical Assistance	.40	1.90	2.85
1953	21-22	Human Rights	. 40	1.90	2.85
1954	23-24	F. A. O	. 60	2.60	3.95
1954	25-26	I. L. O.	.70	3.10	4.50
1954	27-28	U. N. Day	. 65	3.10	4.50
1954	29-30	Human Rights	4.95	21.00	31.50
1955	31-32	I. C. A. O	.40	1.90	2.75
1955	33-34	UNESCO	. 60	2.75	3.75
1955	35-37	U. N. Day	.80	3.40	5.00
1955	38	Souvenii Sheet.	11.95		2112
1955	39 - 10	Human Rights	.35	1.70	2.40
1956	41-42	I. T. U	.35	1.70	2.40
1956	43 44	W. H. O	.35	1.70	2.40
1956	45-46	U. N. Day	. 20	1.00	1.50
1956	47-48	Human Rights	.18	.75	1.15
1957	49-50	W. M. O	.18	.75	1.15
1957	51-52	UNEF	.18	.75	1.15
1957	53-54	UNEF. Re-engraved.	. 25	1.60	2.15
1957	55-56	U. N. Day	.18	.75	1.15
1957	57-58	Human Rights	.18	.75	1.15
1958	59-60	Atomic Energy	.18	.75	1.15
1958	61-62	U. N. Assembly	.18	.75	1.15
1958	63-64	4c and 8c Regular Issue	.18	.75	1.15
1958	65-66	Economic Council	.18	.75	1.15
1958	67-68	Human Rights	.18	.75	1.15
1959	69-70	Flushing	.18	.75	1.15
1959	71-72	Economic Committee	.18	.75	1.15
1959	73 74	U. N. Day.	.18	.75	1.15
1959	75-76	Refugees	.18	.75	1.15
1960	77-78	Palais Chaillot	.18	.75	1.15
1960	79-80	E. C. A. F. E.	.18	.75	1.15
1960	81-82	Forestry	.18	.75	1.15
		15th Anniversary	. 18	.75	1.15
1960	83-81 85	Souvenir sheet	.90		
1960	80	International Rank	.18	.75	1.15

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The Postage Stamps of Armenia, Part Four, the Pictorials. By S. D. Tchilinghirian and P. T. Ashford, Published by The British Society of Russian Philately, 79a Victoria Road, Warminster (Wilts.), England. Price \$4 00

IN the closing portion of Part III of this work, reviewed in STAMPS of March 30, 1957, readers were given an idea of the conditions ruling at Erivan and the General Post Office during the last days of the Second Dashnak regime, and of the mass evacuation that took place when the Red Army re-entered the town on April 2, 1921.

This part of the series takes up the story from this point and reveals the conditions prevailing concerning the mails, badly disrupted because of the mass flight that had taken place, including post office personnel. Re-organization was further hampered by the fact that general conditions were so bad, and many things had to be put in balance at the same time.

The student of Armenian philately has a great challenge in trying to gather his facts, which are so tied to the history of the times. With the postal activities of the country otherwise at an almost complete standstill, a large number of new stamps were issued. They were mostly of pictorial designs related to the history of the country, and are thus most interesting.

The authors have listed and given background information on the sets of new stamps in the order in which they are believed to have been prepared, and their characteristics and other features are dealt with in the various chapters of the book. Relevant information on postal operations are included, as well as postal rates, and some details concerning registration labels. Postmarks are illustrated with excellent drawings, which are given figure numbers keyed to copy. Proofs and color trials; information on forgeries; handstamps used during the Soviet period, including illustrations of the genuine ones and some of the forgeries; and tables giving surcharges with quantities, paper, position of surcharge and issues on which used are among the many details given in this work.

Part V of the series, which is now in process, will carry a priced checklist of the stamps described in Part IV.

Part IV is \$4.00, and Part V, which will be obtainable shortly, will be \$1.50. Orders for either or both should be sent directly to the *British Society of Russian Philately*, whose address is at the head of this review.

Israel Stamp Society

The Israel Stamp Society of Philadelphia meets every fourth Monday of each month at the National Philatelic Museum. New officers were installed at the Annual Dinner on December 27th. Maxwell Whiteman, Librarian of Dropsie College, spoke on "Relations of American Jewry with Palestine Before Zionism."



(Parade of Bureau Precancels)

WISCONSIN (Continued)

MILTON used only two Bureau precancels. First it had the 11/2c coil with the large Old Style overprint. These coils must have been used to seal a circular or folder as most of those available are badly creased. Uncreased copies are almost unobtainable and pairs are rare. Then Milton used the 1/2c Hale Precancel with the small style overprint; these are hard to pick up. To top this off, these 1/2 centers have an error variety, the word Milton being close to the TOP line. The position of the high variety error occurs in rows 2 and 7 in a pane of 100, and is rare.

Neenah is the only other town that also used the large Old Style. There was an interesting item by the late H. M. Southgate in Mekeel's Weekly of Jan. 26, 1936, in which he reported that 225,000 of the 2-cent coils were returned to Washington for destruction; used by the Post Office or permit holders 2,472,500.

We wonder whether Mr. Southgate made a mistake about the quantity used. We understood that the largest part of those originally shipped were returned in February 1935. If such a large quantity had been used, we believe we would have found now and then at least a clipped copy in precancel mixtures. We don't remember ever finding one copy. In spite of all this, the 2c Neenah coils in the large Old Styles are very reasonably priced.

Neenah also used the 11/2c Full Face Harding coil with the small Old Style overprint which is getting quite scarce. No other Bureau Precancels have ever been used since, and it looks like this is the end of Neenah Bureaus.

Racine used a lone Bureau, the 1c coil in the small Old Style. We understand that the Horlick Malted Milk concern used them on some advertising circulars. These coils are quite scarce and if you ever find a copy it most likely will be clipped.

The only other small Old Style Bureau from Wisconsin that merits special mention is the 2c Menasha coil. You could once find them in mixtures in pairs and strips, but where are they now?

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In the Presidential section we find a scarce coil from Fort Atkinson, Reason for the scarcity of this one is the change in the overprint from two-line to a threeline type. While there are other Wisconsin Bureau using towns that are good, we believe that we should close the chapter at this point. A study of your Bureau Precancel catalog will give you additional information you may want.

WYOMING

The Equality State used only five Bureau Precancels; they hail from Casper, Cheyenne and Riverton. None is scarce but they are nice to have, because as a rule precancels from Wyoming are hard to pick up. This finishes the Parade of Bureau Precancels on the regular issues.

Next and final chapter will be on the Playing Card Revenue Bureau Issue Precancels. After that we will be in the position to write on Local Precancels. But please do NOT send any Precancels for evaluation; that's something we have no time for. If you expect a personal answer to your questions, send a stamped, return envelope.

K-Line Sports & Olympics Pages

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U.N. Day Stamp First Day Figures

THE United Nations Postal Administration advises that there were 734,943 covers cancelled, of which 256,699 bore souvenir sheets, when the 4c and 8c stamps honoring the 15th anniversary of the U.N. were issued on October 24, 1960.

Prior to the first day of issue approximately 22,000 mint orders were received and processed for the 15th anniversary issue, compared with 7,600 orders received for the previous commemorative issue. Orders for first day covers were also far in excess as compared with the demand for earlier issues.

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174-176	.80	598-600	.30
177-178	.60	648-651	2.25
199-210	3.60	C1-3	3.50
211-213	.40	C4-6	2.25
214-215	.30	C7-8	6.50
217-222	1.15	C9 used	1.05
225-234	5.00	C10-13	2.00
235-237	.40	C61-62	8.00
238-249	2.90	C63-82	55.00
264-266	.40	C83-92	26.00
267-278	13.00	C93-105	55.00
279-281	.45	C106-112	6.00
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285-298	8.25	C114	.50
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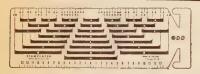
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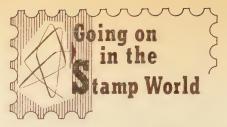
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Coming Events

Jan. 9-L. Cecil Love will exhibit and talk on his collection of farming and agriculture on stamps during the years 1851-1869, at the North Shore Philatelic Society of Chicago. Meetings begin at 8 P.M. at the Loyola Park Field House, 7033 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, Ill. Visitors invited. New president is Edward Benson.

Jan. 22-Empire Stamp & Cover Club, Chapter #1 of Universal Philatelic Cover Society, will hold an Open House meeting and auction at 2 P.M. at the Yorkville Temple, 86th St., and Lexington Ave., New York City.

Jan. 27-Minnehaha Stamp Club plans a Mixture Sale at 2c a stamp to be held at Pillsbury Citizens Service, 320 16th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

Jan. 28-29 - Stamp exhibition and bourse at Topeka, Kansas, celebrating Kansas Statehood Admission Day Centennial, sponsored by Topeka Stamp Club and Kansas Precancel Society. At Florentine ballroom of Jayhawk Hotel, Topeka. Further information from Virgil Crow, 1185 Medford, Topeka, Kansas.

Feb. 2—Women's Seal and Stamp Club of Albany, New York, will hear Martha Hendler speak on "Vatican Stamps." Helen Mitchell will discuss "First Day Covers & Plate Blocks" at the Feb. 16th meeting.

Feb. 3-Webster Groves Stamp Club meeting at Reliable Life Insurance Building, 231 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Mo. Mrs. John D. Pope, III will speak on "Spain."

Feb. 7-Quad-City Stamp Club will hold its meeting from 7 P.M. to 10 P.M. on the second floor of the Iowa-Illinois Gas & Electric Warehouse Auditorium, 28 5th Ave., Rock Island, Ill. March meeting will gain be held on regular second Thursday.

Feb. 10-Minnehaha Stamp Club will meet at the Pillsbury-Citizens Service, 320 16th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn. An educational film from the Post Office will be presented. At the Feb. 24th meeting one of the club's members will provide an interesting program.

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Feb. 15-Bell Telephone Stamp Club of Philadelphia, Pa., will hold "All Members Nite" at Pioneer Lounge, 121 N. Broad St., Room 518 from 7:30 to 10 P.M.

Feb. 20 Metco Stamp Club meeting at 5 P.M. at Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 1 Madison Ave., New York City, in City Mortgage Conference Room, Area 9-B, South Bldg.

Miscellaneous Club Notes-

The Dyess Philatelic Society has been organized in Abilene, Texas. The club's plans for 1961 include a bi-monthly auction, formation of a junior members unit, stamp displays in cooperation with local businesses and a combined stamp and coin show. Meetings are held at the Vaper Trails Service Club at Dyess, AFB, Abilene, and visitors are welcome. For further information contact Lt. P. P. Luchsinger, 5226 Congress Ave., Abilene,

The Border Armed Forces Philatelic Society announces plans for its seventh annual stamp exhibition to be held at Ft. Bliss, Texas, in April 1961. The society, which meets bi-monthly in the post's Service Club No. 1, is comprised of military personnel and dependents of Ft. Bliss, William Beaumont Army Hospital and Biggs Air Force Base. Other members include civilian personnel employed at the three installations plus residents of the El Paso area. For further information about next spring's exhibit contact Exhibition Secretary, Border Armed Forces Philatelic Society, Box 6382, Ft. Bliss,

The Springfield Stamp Society will hold its Silver Anniversary Show on March 4-5, 1961, in the Towne Room of Hotel Bancroft, 114 E. High St., Springfield, Ohio. Approximately 75 frames will be exhibited of the following categories: United States, Foreign, Airmail and Topical. A large bourse is planned. Admission is free. Further details may be obtained from John P. Baker, 217 Sturgeon St., Springfield. The Society meets at 8 P.M., on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at the club in the Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Spring St. Visitors are always welcome.

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BRAZIL-We are indebted to Gen. Arnaldo Franca for a first day cover dated December 22, 1960, of the 3.30 rose stamp issued to commemorate the return to Brazil of the remains of Brazilian World War II heroes. The design, by Waldir Granado, shows the memorial to these heroes beside four allied flags. It was engraved by Gildasio de Souza Ferreira and printed in sheets of 25 in an edition of 5,000,000.

CHILE—On December 14, 1960, a souvenir sheet was issued in an edition of 3,000 to commemorate the sesquicentennial of the first National Government and in honor of the United Nations. t was engraved and printed at the Government Printing Office. Only one sheet was sold to each purchaser. The sheet has two airmail stamps and is completely valid for postage.

-Societdad Filatelica de Chile

CHINA (FORMOSA)—Our thanks to S. Y. Ma, Taiwan, for a first day cover

dated December 24, 1960, of the threevalue Kinmen Chu Kwang Tower issue which was fully reported in our issue of December 31, 1960.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC-On December 20, 1960, the 4c Flower stamp (Scott 491) was issued revalued to 9c. The following stamps will be revalued and issued shortly: from 1/2c to 2c. Treasury Building (Scott 454) and School (Scott 377); 1c to 2c, Bridge (Scott 518); 4c to 5c, Trujillo (Scott 498). Book Fair (Scott 494), Flower (Scott 490): 3c to 9c, Ruins (Scott 431) and Santana (Scott 432); 7c to 9c. Polo Team (Scott 510), Brussels Fair (Scott 507) Ship (Scott 500), Trujillo (Scott 499), Unesco (Scott 506), and Olympic Games 1956; 50c to \$1.00, Waterfall (Scott 427).

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-General Post Office

HAITI-On January 14, 1961, there will be issued a UNICEF Children Charity series overprinted on the United Nation's 15th anniversary commemorative which was fully reported in our issue of November 26 and shown on cover in STAMPS of December 17. The overprint is as follows: UNICEF + 25 centimes.

-Haitian Philatelic Agency

HUNGARY—Our thanks to Magyar Belyeggyujtok Orgzagos Szovetsege for first day covers dated December 1, 1960, of the eight-value Fairy Tale Set II reported here on November 26, 1960.

INDONESIA — The Indonesian PTT has sent additional information on the charity stamps commemorating the "Third Social Day" which were issued Dec. 20, 1960 and forecast in our issue of December 31, 1960. The designs are symbolic of socialism in various phases according to the P.T.T. release. This sixvalue set, 10 + 10 sen, yellow; 15 + 15, violet; 20 + 20, blue, 50 + 25, brown; 75 + 25 green; and Rp. 3 + 50 sen, red, was printed by rotogravure on white, unwatermarked paper, perf. 12 x 121/2, at the Indonesian Security Printing Works. The designer was Mr. Junalies. Our thanks to T. G. Lauw and Njoo Bong Sing for first day covers of these stamps.

ITALY-The Day of the Stamp 15 Lire stamp was issued December 18, 1960. Designed by L. Gasbarra, the stamp depicts an old mail coach and horses (in black) within an enlarged posthorn (in red). The inscription at the top reads "Giornata del Francobollo (Day of the Stamp). The stamps are in panes of 50, printed on star-watermarked paper, perf. 14. A special first-day cancellation was used, consisting of a posthorn with the words "Giornata del Francobollo" in an arc above it, "Poste Italiane" in two straight lines below, and the city and date in the circle of the horn. Our thanks to Daniele Piccardi and Venetia First Day Covers for first day covers of this issue, and to Pierson Ostrow for information.

JAPAN-Our thanks to the following for first day covers dated December 20, 1960, of the New Year's Stamp reported in STAMPS of December 31, 1960. Kenzi Miwa, H. Tsuge, T. Tatibana, Kenji Nakatani, Riichi Yoshida, Jyoto Stamp Company, and S. Miyake. The colors of this 5 yen stamp are red, green, yellow, gold and black.

Our thanks also to Kenzi Miwa, Shozo Murase, Kenji Nakatani, Kanai Stamp Co., Ltd. Kunihiro Wm. Hattate, Meiso Mizuhara and S. Miyake for first day covers dated Dec. 24 of the 70th Anniversary of the Diet commemorative reported here on December 31, 1960. The 5 yen is dark blue and gray and the 10 yen is light and dark maroon.

LUXEMBOURG-We are indebted to the Administration PTT for a first day cover dated December 12, 1960, of the 1960 Caritas set which was fully reported here on November 19, 1960.

NICARAGUA-January 16, 1961, will see the release of a series of airmail stamps commemorating the twentieth anniversary of the Nicaraguan Military Academy. There are six different designs in the set comprising the follow-

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PAKISTAN — The Posts and Telegraphs Department advises that 2-paisa overprints of the existing 3-pies postage stamps, both public and service, will be put on sale January 1, 1961, when the sale and use of the 3-pies stamps will be discontinued.

It is expected that several other values are likely to be issued with an overprint. There will be new issues of postal stationery in the new decimal currency: post cards, embossed envelopes, and aerograms. A new registered cover bearing an embossed 8as. stamp was issued December 12, 1960.

—Dwarkadas Jivandas

PORTUGAL—Our thanks to Alberto Armando Pereira for a first day cover dated December 20, 1960, with the 1 esc. stamp marking the 50th anniversary of the government, forecast in our issue of December 17, 1960. The Portuguese Ministry of Posts advises that the design, featuring the Portuguese flag, was by Manuel Rodrigues. The stamp was printed in four-color offset by the Portuguese

ST. LUCIA (WEST INDIES) — On December 18, 1960, a three-value set of stamps was issued to commemorate the centenary of the first postage stamps of St. Lucia, on the 18th of December, 1860. The stamps were printed by recess by Waterlow & Sons Ltd. on C.A. (block capitals) watermarked paper in vertical format, size 30mm x 40mm. The design includes the Royal Cypher with the St. Edward's Crown, and features the stamps of the first issue as follows: 5c, showing the original 1d. rose red in a blue border; 16c, showing the original 4d. deep blue in a green border; and the 25c showing the original 6d. in a red border. They will remain on sale for six months.

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SPAIN—Our thanks to M. Galvez, P. L. Arroniz, and F. Balairon for first day covers dated November 7, 1960, of the two-value set of stamps honoring the 100th anniversary of the birth of the composer, Isaac Albeniz. The stamps show a portrait of Albeniz; the 1 pta is in rust color and the 25 cts in gray.

From Carlos Lenze we learn that the long-expected World Refugee stamps will be issued January 23, 1961. The 1.orange will be in a quantity of 6,000,000 and the 5.-sepia in 4,000,000. The design is from a painting by Francisco Bayeu (1734-1795) representing the "Flight to Egypt."

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This is the third monograph published by the British Postmark Society, which was founded in 1958 and has a steadily growing membership now numbering about 250. Activities of the Society are limited to the study of modern (mostly 20th century) postmarks of Great Britain, including both machine cancellations and handstamps, as well as surcharge and explanatory marks. In addition to the publishing of monographs, they have a Quarterly Bulletin which usually runs about sixteen pages an issue. Earlier monographs were "Postal Arrangements at the World Scout Jubilee Jamboree" and "Surcharge and Explanatory Dies." Information on membership available from Cyril R. H. Parsons, whose address appears at the head of this review, and from whom copies of the monographs may be purchased also.

A.T.A. Convention

THE American Topical Association Convention and Exhibition will return to Johnstown, Pa., for the tenth annual TOPEX—"Back in 61 to where TOPEX 'Begun'"—June 16-18, 1961, with the Johnstown Stamp Club, Life Chapter #2, acting as host. This 300-frame exhibition will occupy two floors of the Masonic Temple, Route 53 South, Johnstown, Pa. The bourse section is limited to fifteen dealers. Reservations are now being accepted. Entries are open to topical exhibitors. Special awards will be given for the following fields: Radio and TV, Royalty, Masonry, Medical subjects, Red Cross, Herbal Materia Medica, Biology, Rotary, Fine Arts, Maps, Ships on Stamps, Europa, Juniors, and Plant Quarantine. There will be other awards also.

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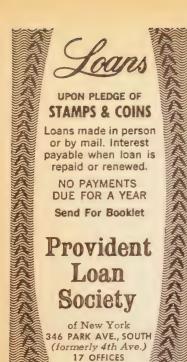
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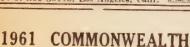




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The Collectors Club of Seattle of 908 East Madison at Broadway, Seattle 22, Washington, has its Club Rooms open every evening Monday through Friday at 7:30 P.M. The first Friday evening of every month is auction night. All current philatelic papers, magazines and current catalogues are available at the Library. Visitors welcome.

The Jamaica Study Group met for the first time in New York City on November 19, 1960, at the A.S.D.A. Show. Robert Topaz, Waban, Mass., was elected president; Judge Leslie Anderson, Milwaukee, Wisc., first vice-president; M. W. Swetland, Madison, N. J., second vice-president; and J. Gaston, Granby, Conn., secretary-treasurer. The Jamaica Study Group is a new organization devoted to study of Jamaican philately. It publishes a bi-monthly bulletin. Inquiries may be directed to the editor, A. N. Johnson, 2610 Virginia St., Baytown, Texas.

TOPEX-61 will be held June 16-18, 1961, Masonic Temple, Valley Pike, Johnstown, Pa. The Johnstown Stamp Club, Life Chapter number 2, of the

American Topical Association will serve as host. An exhibition of 300 plus frames is planned with over 50 awards already on hand. For seals, cachets, information on hotels, motels or anything pertaining to TOPEX-61, write the general chairman, Homer L. Jones, Weedie Acres, R. 252 Derby St., Johnstown, Pa.

The newly-formed Scandinavian Collectors Club Chapter #8 of Southern New Jersey meets at 8:30 P.M. the first Tuesday of each month at the home of its secretary, Helen Rocco, 405 N. 8th St., Vineland, N. J. Scandinavian collectors welcome. For further information contact the secretary.

The Stamp Collectors Club of Toledo will hold its 37th Annual Exhibition and Bourse at the Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, on March 4-5, 1961. A limited number of tables are now available to dealers at \$20.00 each. Bourse chairman is John S. Hirsch, 110 So. Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio.

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